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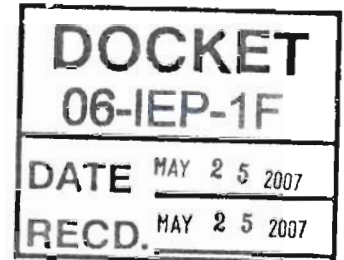
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ELECTRONIC DELIVERY

California Energy Commission  
Docket Office  
Docket No. 06-IEP-1F  
1516 Ninth Street, MS-4  
Sacramento, CA 95814-5512



**Re: Docket No. 06-IEP-1F – 2007 IEPR – Transmission**

Please find attached Pacific Gas and Electric Company's (PG&E's) presentation from the May 14, 2007, CEC Workshop on In-state and Interstate Transmission and Potential In-State Corridors.

Please feel free to call Kathleen Treleven at 415-973-6164 or myself at (415) 973-6463 if you have any questions about this matter.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

# PG&E In-State Transmission Plans

Ben Morris

CEC Workshop on In-state and  
Interstate Transmission and Potential In-State  
Corridors

May 14, 2007

# 2006 Expansion Plan

- Three Primary Project Objectives
  - Meet Reliability Standards (NERC/WECC/CAISO)
  - Reduce Reliance on Local Capacity Requirements (area generation that must be on-line to meet the reliability standards)
  - Access Renewable Resources
- 93 Specific Projects are described for operation in the 2007-2016 period
  - Total Capital Cost of Projects – \$1.5-3.0 Billion, includes
    - new lines and transformers
    - reconductoring (replacing existing conductor with larger conductor)
    - Installation of voltage support devices
    - Installation of Special Protection Systems
- Discussion of potential Regional Projects, including the Central California Clean Energy Transmission Project

# Central California Clean Energy Transmission Project

## ■ Project

- A new 500 kV path between Midway and Fresno Area

## ■ Project Objective:

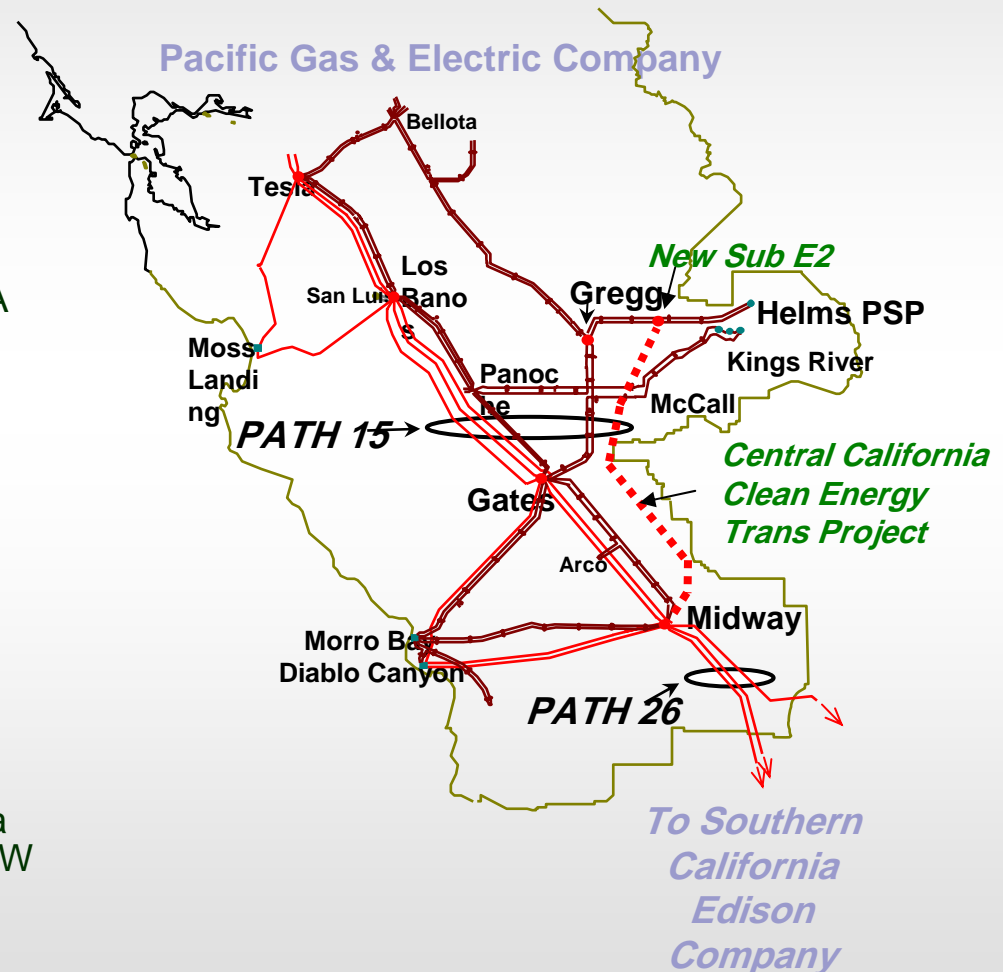
- Increase Path 15 transfer capability by ~1,250 MW
- Increase transfer of base load & as available renewable resources from S CA to N CA
- Helps integrate S CA renewables with N CA
- Increase utilization of the Helms PSP to enhance the value of off-peak generation
- Increase reliability to Yosemite/Fresno area
- Reduce Fresno Area LCR

## ■ Project Scope

- Construct ~ 150 miles of new 500 kV double circuit tower line from Midway to a new substation east of Fresno on new R/W

## ■ Operative Date >> 2012

## ■ Defers need for Gates-Gregg indefinitely





# **Bay Area Long-Term Study – CAISO Stakeholder Group**

# Study Objectives and Alternatives

- CAISO Stakeholder Process
- Objectives:
  - Minimize total transmission and generation costs to customers
- Alternatives
  - 500kV Sunol Substation and new Vaca Dixon-Contra Costa and Contra Costa-Pittsburg 230 kV lines paralleling existing transmission
  - 500kV Collinsville Substation, Collinsville-Contra Costa-Pittsburg 230 kV lines, and Tesla-Newark 230 kV lines paralleling existing transmission
  - 500kV Collinsville Substation and Tracy-Newark-Northern Receiving Station (NRS) 230kV line paralleling existing transmission
  - Tracy 500/230 kV transformer, and Vaca Dixon-Contra Costa-Pittsburg and Tesla-Newark 230 kV lines paralleling existing transmission
  - Status Quo Option – Original Gen retirement scenario and continued reinforcement of existing facilities
- Operative date for one of the above alternatives >> 2012-2013

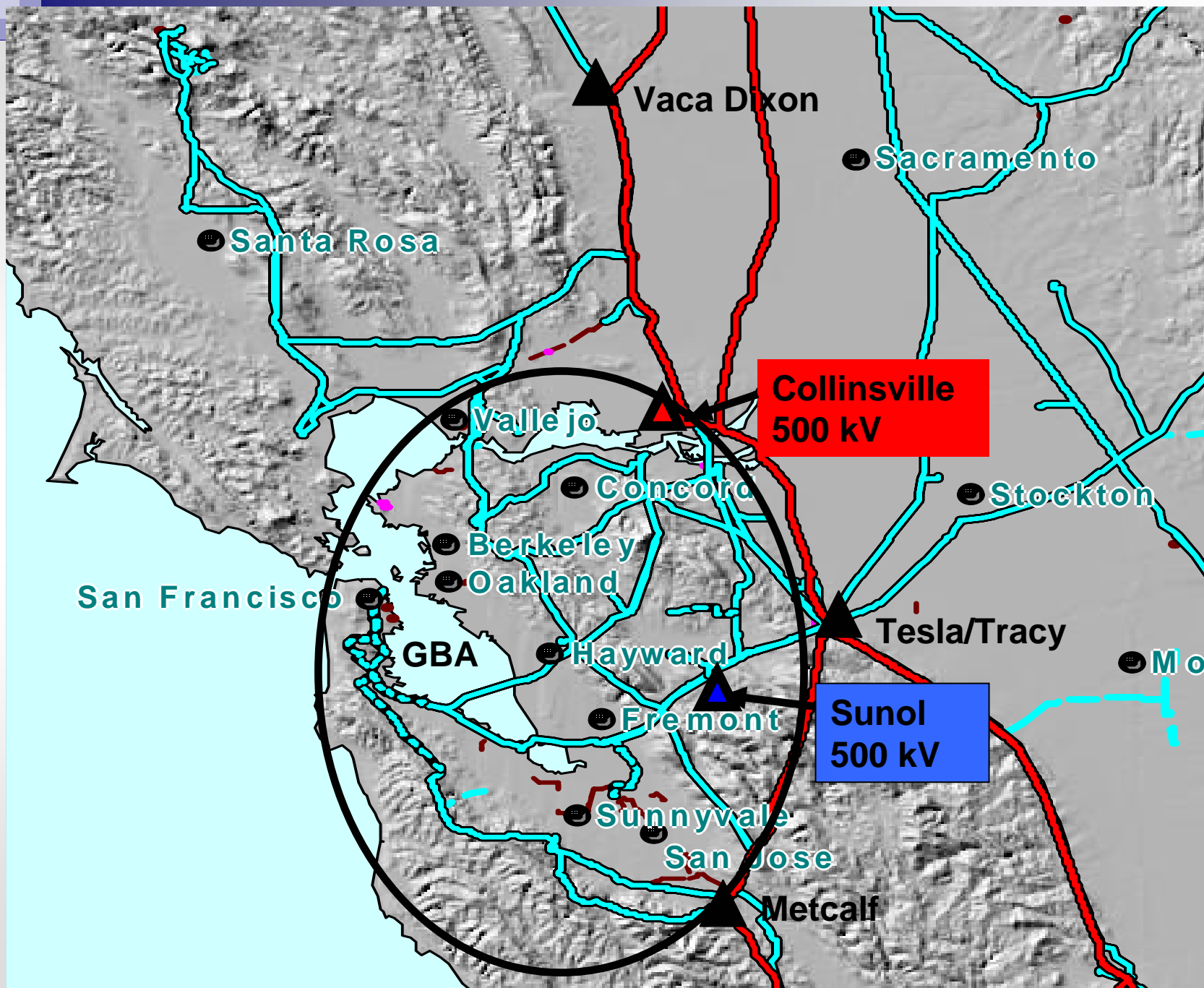
# New Substation Configurations

## ■ Collinsville Substation Configuration

- Construct new 500/230 kV substation
- Loop new substation off the Vaca Dixon-Tesla or Table Mountain-Tesla 500 kV line
- Install two 500/230 kV transformer banks at Collinsville

## ■ Sunol Substation Configuration

- Construct new 500/230 kV substation
- Loop new substation off the Tesla-Los Banos 500kV line
- Install two 500/230 kV transformers
- Loop all the 230 kV lines in the vicinity of the substation into the Sunol station (eight 230 kV lines are in the vicinity of the substation site)





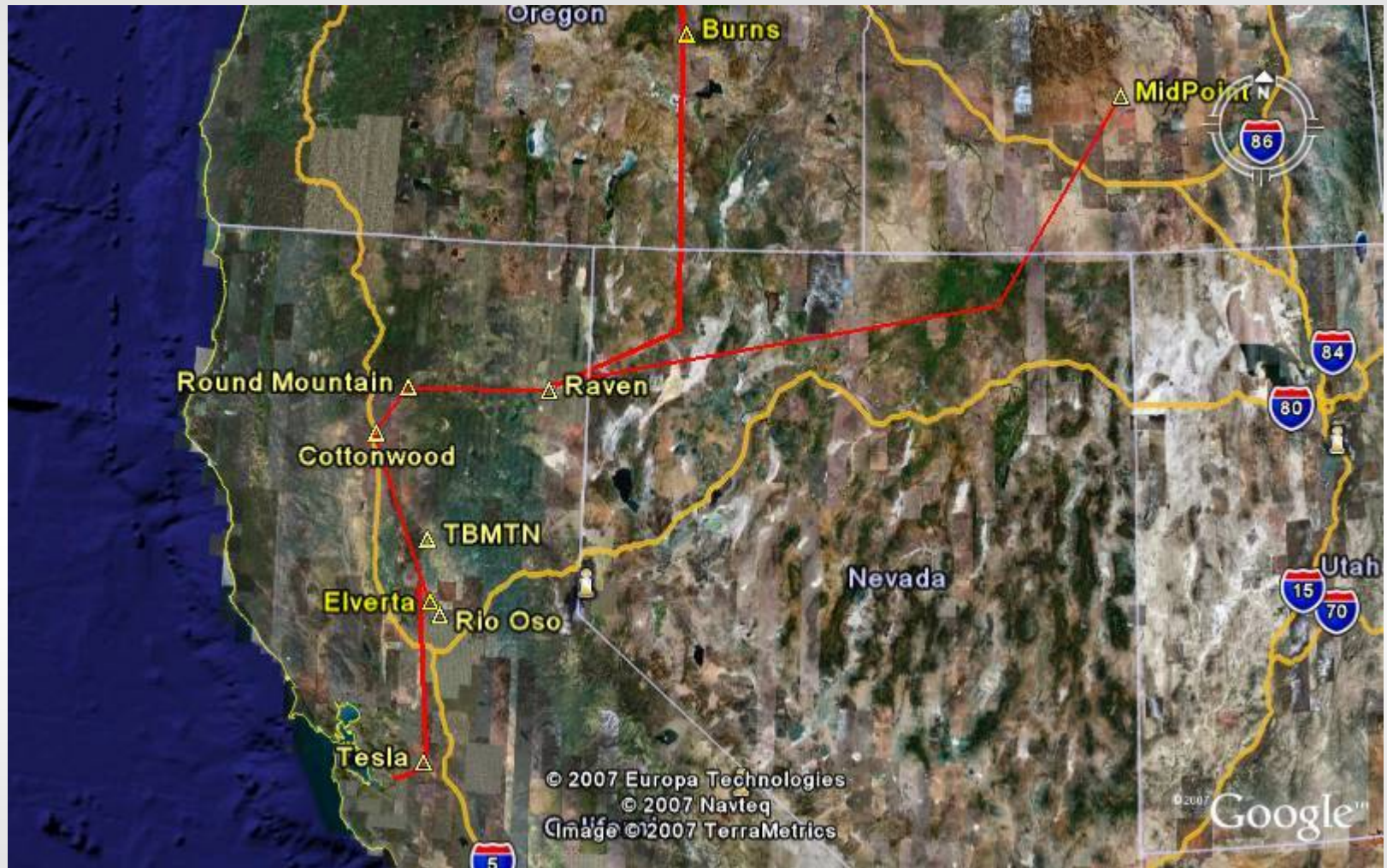


# **Northern California SubRegional Planning 2013 – 2020+**

# 500 kV Upgrades North of Tesla

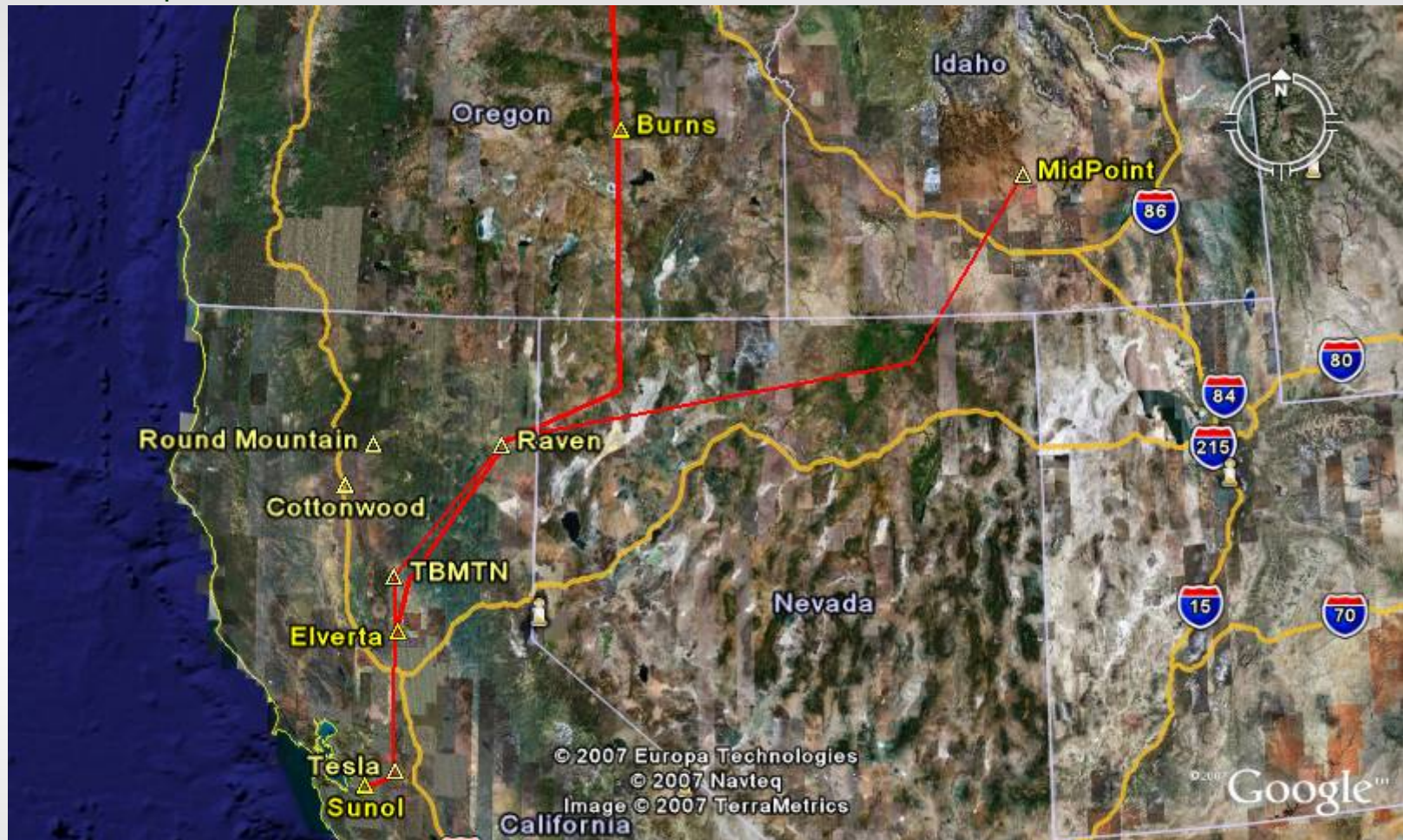
- To support renewable resource development in northern California and to accommodate imports from Canada and the Pacific Northwest:
  - Option CA1
    - #1 cct: Raven-Cottonwood-Elverta-Tracy
    - #2 cct: Raven-Cottonwood-Tesla-Sunol
  - Option CA2
    - #1 Raven-Elverta, #2 Raven-Tesla-Sunol
  - Option CA3
    - #1 Raven-Elverta, #2 Raven-Bellota-Tesla-Sunol
  - Option CA4
    - #1 Raven-Elverta, #2 Raven-Tesla- Sunol
  - Other Options may be considered during the Northern California Sub-regional Planning process
- Operative Date for one of the above options is 2013

Option CA1: Raven-Cottonwood-Elverta-Tracy and Raven-Tesla-Sunol 500 kV  
Draft Conceptual Plan



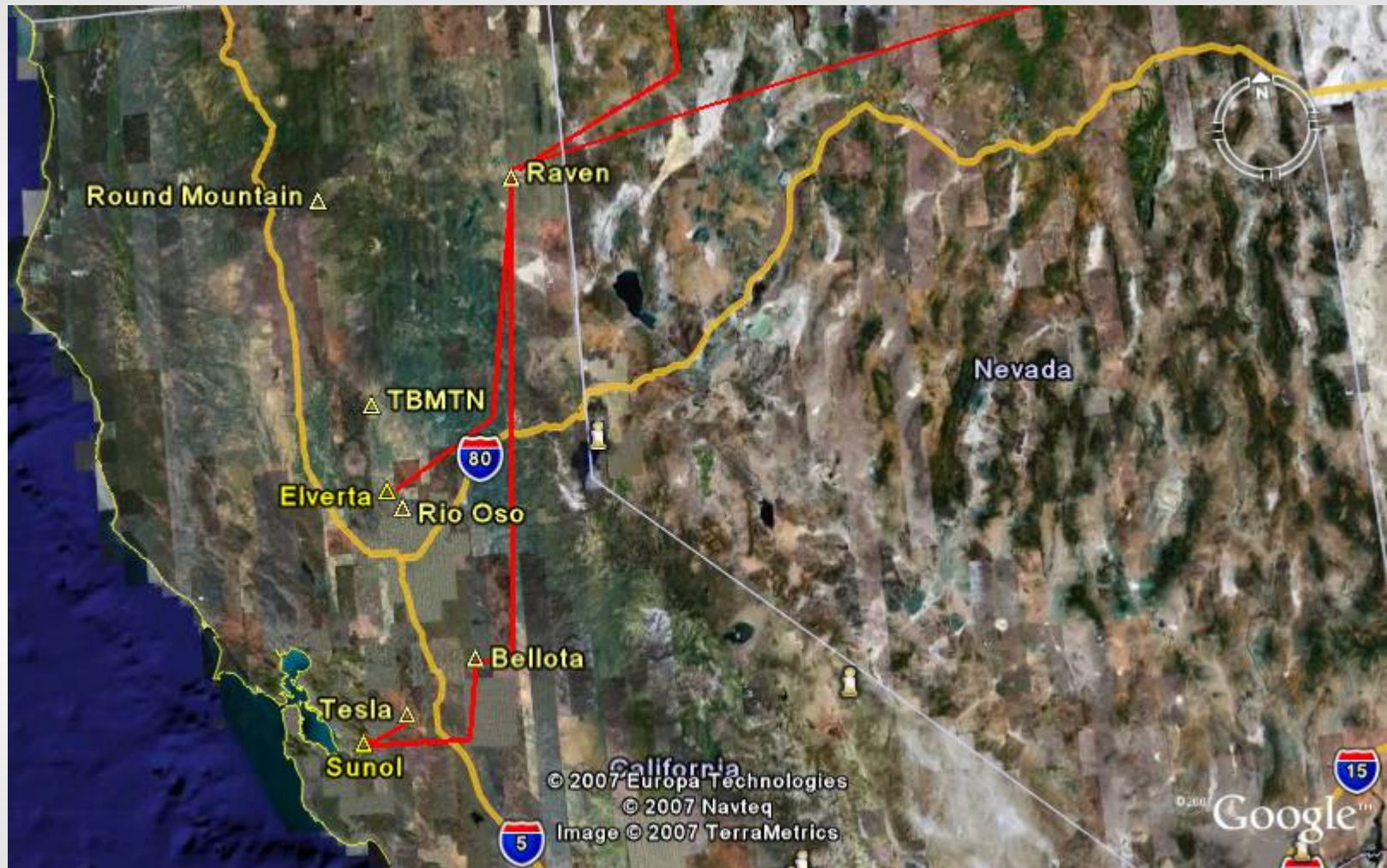


Option CA2: Raven-Elverta and Raven-Tesla-Sunol 500 kV  
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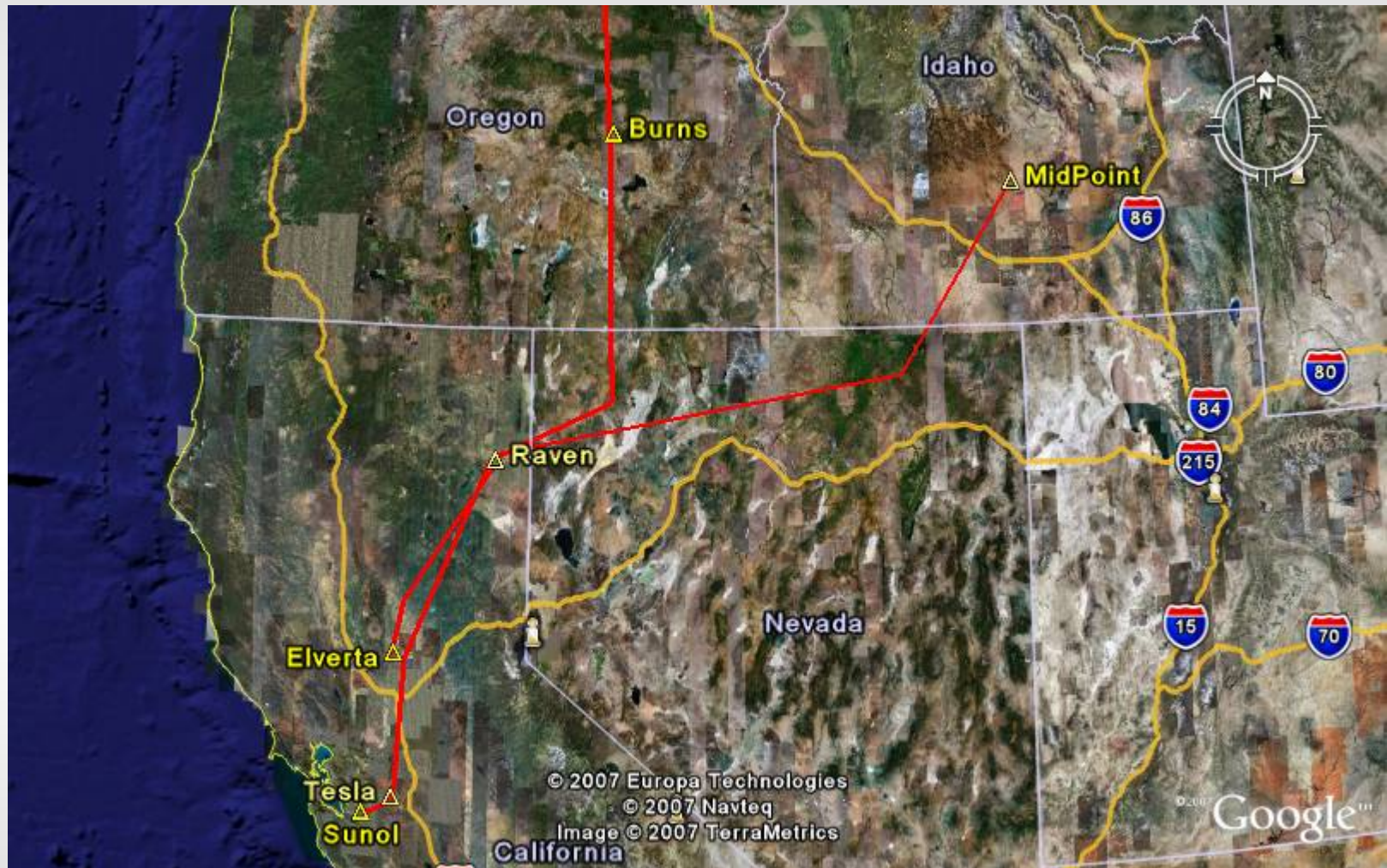


Option CA3- Raven-Elverta and Raven-Bellota-Sunol--Tesla 500 kV  
Draft Conceptual Plan





Option CA4- Raven-Elverta and Raven-Tesla-Sunol 500 kV  
Draft Conceptual Plan



# Completion of New 500 kV line

- Construct 500 kV line
  - from Sunol, Tesla or Tracy east to Bellota
  - From Bellota south to the northern terminus of the Central California
- Operative Date: 2020-2025 range
- Construction completes a 500 kV line from Raven to Midway Substation along the east side of Northern California

## Bonneville Power Administrative (BPA)

# Potential Configuration 2013-2025

- Projects north of Tesla support based on Option CA2 (other options possible)

- renewables in the northern portion of the PG&E service territory
- Renewables imported from the NW and Canada at proposed Raven Substation



- Potential projects south of Tesla support

- renewables in the southern portion of the PG&E service territory
- Renewables imported from the South

